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Title: Dosing Valve With Flow Rate Sensor For A Beverage Dispenser

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We, Paul Barker, Keith James Heyes, Martin Stanley Johnson, Steven Maulder and Phillip Andrew Simmons, the inventors of the invention as claimed in the above identified patent application filed in the US, hereby declare, as follows: We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, and believe ourselves to be the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed, and for which United States Letters Patent is sought. We acknowledge our duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.56.

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